

MONSTER OF THE BLUE MOUNTAINS

Murderer Butler's Real Name is Newman.

THE STORY OF HIS LIFE

Was Born in England—Served With

American Army, Was Promoted
and Soon Afterwards Deserted—
Denies That He Is Guilty of the
Crimes Charged.

San Francisco, Feb. 25.—The Examiner this morning prints the following:
Frank Butler Harwood, alias Richard Aube, commonly referred to as the

"Monster of the Blue Mountains," has at last consented to tell the story of his life. With minute detail and with a punctilliousness remarkable for one accused of such serious crimes, the alleged murderer recites his early history as well as the later events of a

most remarkable life. The true name of the accused man, according to his statement, is John Newman. He was born at Great Bridge, West Bromwich, Staffordshire, England, June 20, 1858.

His parents were humble but honest people. For many years they kept a tavern known as the "Boats' Inn." At an early age Newman ran away from home, and after some years of nomadic life eventually joined the British army.

He served with honor and distinction in her majesty's service during the Zulu war in 1878-79, at the close of which he was awarded a medal for gallant conduct. He also served under General Wolferley during the Egyptian war and was decorated with

the Egyptian medal for gallant service at the battle of Tel El Kebeer. For some imaginary wrong done him he deserted at the close of this war, coming to America, where he joined the United States army and by an extraordinary display of skill, man-

Atrociously, display of loyalty was, in less than two months, made a petty officer. After a month's service he grew tired of the close confinement and again deserted, going directly to Canada.

Newman's life has been one round of futile struggle for the unattainable. It was not until he had failed time and again to reap the financial reward his boyish fancy had pictured that the Mr. Hyde part of his character de-

veloped. After traveling about the world for some years he finally wound up in Australia. With a perfect understanding of men and measures he inserted a series of advertisements in the Sunday papers, calling for par-

ners in a mining venture. The story of how Arthur Preston and Lee Weller met their death as a result of these advertisements has already been told in detail.

known, denies all knowledge of the crimes. He insists that at the proper time he will be able to prove his innocence. Until that time he prefers to let the public think as badly of him as the damning circumstances per-

He Is Held.
San Francisco, Feb. 26.—Frank Butler, who is wanted in Australia for

many murders, and who was arrested on the ship Swanhilda, was held for extradition today by United States Commissioner Heacock on two charges of murder, that of Captain Lee Weller and of Corporal Arthur Denton.

ATTACKED LEE.

Spanish General Proves Himself to Be a Thorough Blackguard.

New York, Feb. 28.—A Herald special from Havana, via Key West, says: The Marquis De Palmerola made a scandalous personal attack on General Lee Wednesday night in the palace in the presence of several American ministers.

Several American newspaper correspondents. The incident arose because the censor refused to pass a dispatch for the correspondents, which said that the release of Scott had been demanded because he was both arrested and kept in prison in defiance of the law.

"General Lee is a liar, imposter and rebel," shouted the little marguise with

General Lee is, of course, too busily engaged in protecting the lives and property of our fellow citizens to pay any attention to Palmerola's outbreak. The situation is still the same as described to you on Wednesday.

General Lee will leave Havana at the moment when he is satisfied that the government at Washington will not do its whole duty in preventing the occurrence of another Ruiz murder.

A young lady, a member of the many distinguished French families which have

property and plantations in the eastern end of the island, near Santiago de Cuba, has been arrested and thrown into the Casa de Recrudas, or prison for disorderly women in that place. The charge against her is that she was making flat

The papers in the case are now in the hands of the acting French consul-general here, and it is expected that energetic action will be authorized from Paris. The French colony and merchants are very indignant and demand im-

mediate action on the part of their government. They request that Count Sala, the consul-general now in Paris, return immediately to his post, as the acting consul-general, they say, is not protecting French interests. Pondeval's column returned on Thursday night to Guana-

The troops had a fight with a local party on Wednesday, one mile out of Santa Clara City. Fifty Spanish guerrillas were killed. Many Spanish prisoners were

At San Francisco.
San Francisco, Feb. 26.—Weather fine,
rack fast. Results:

Six furlongs, purse—Altamax won, queen Nubia second, Tulare third. Time—1:15½.

Six furlongs—Anabasis won, Charlemagne second, Philip H third. Time—1:17.

One mile purse—Nebula won, Howard second, Soniro third. Time—1:43½.
Seven furlongs, selling—Basquill won, instigator second, George Palmer third. Time—1:38½.
And—last one sixteenth, selling, Joe

Ernie and one-sixteenth, second. Joe Perry won. Little Cripple second. Brannette third. Time—1:51.

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